

FOREST INSECT AND DISEASE MANAGEMENT UNIT
U.S. FOREST SERVICE
DORAVILLE, GEORGIA

REPORT OF AERIAL DETECTION SURVEY

LAND OWNERSHIP OR SURVEY AREA: Francis Marion National Forest,
Witherbee and Wambaw Ranger
Districts

STATE: South Carolina

AREA WITHIN SURVEY BOUNDARY: 414,700 acres DATE: 6/7/77

PERCENT COVERAGE: 50% AIRCRAFT: Cessna 182 CREW: R. F. Bassett
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SURVEY OBJECTIVES: To detect any forest insect or
disease problems on the Francis Marion National
Forest. Special emphasis was given to searching
for southern pine beetle infestations since the
beetle has caused severe timber mortality in
this area during recent years.

SURVEY RESULTS

The aerial survey revealed no recent forest
insect or disease activity. Except for a few
scattered one and two-tree spots timber mortality
was very low. No southern pine beetle infestations
were observed.

CONCLUSIONS

Forest insect and disease activity is currently
at a low level on the Francis Marion National Forest.

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